

In the claims:

1. A storage processing device comprising:  
an input/output module including:  
port processors to receive and transmit network traffic; and  
a switch coupling said port processors; and  
a control module coupled to said input/output module, said input/output module and said control module being configured to interactively support data mirroring.
2. The storage processing device of claim 1, wherein said port processors include table information relating to data mirroring and wherein said control module is coupled to said table information to maintain said table information for data mirroring.
3. The storage processing device of claim 1, wherein said port processors perform the data and command replication and response gathering operations to support data mirroring.
4. A fabric for coupling at least one host and at least two storage devices, the fabric comprising:  
at least one switch for coupling to the at least one host and the at least two storage devices; and  
a storage processing device coupled to the at least one switch and for coupling to the at least one host and the at least two storage devices, the storage processing device including:  
an input/output module including:  
port processors to receive and transmit network traffic; and  
a switch coupling said port processors; and  
a control module coupled to said input/output module, said input/output module and said control module being configured to interactively support data mirroring.

5. The fabric of claim 4, wherein said port processors include table information relating to data mirroring and wherein said control module is coupled to said table information to maintain said table information for data mirroring.

6. The fabric of claim 4, wherein said port processors perform the data and command replication and response gathering operations to support data mirroring.

7. A network comprising:  
at least one host;  
at least two storage devices; and  
a fabric coupling the at least one host and the at least two storage devices, the fabric comprising:

at least one switch for coupling to the at least one host and the at least two storage devices; and

a storage processing device coupled to the at least one switch and for coupling to the at least one host and the at least two storage devices, the storage processing device including:

an input/output module including:

port processors to receive and transmit network traffic; and

a switch coupling said port processors; and

a control module coupled to said input/output module, said input/output module and said control module being configured to interactively support data mirroring.

8. The network of claim 7, wherein said port processors include table information relating to data mirroring and wherein said control module is coupled to said table information to maintain said table information for data mirroring.

9. The network of claim 7, wherein said port processors perform the data and command replication and response gathering operations to support data mirroring.

10. A method for supporting data mirroring in a storage processing device comprising:

providing an input/output module including:

port processors receiving and transmitting network traffic; and  
a switch coupling said port processors; and  
providing a control module coupled to said input/output module, said  
input/output module and said control module being configured to interactively support  
data mirroring.

11. The method of claim 10, wherein said port processors include table  
information relating to data mirroring and wherein said control module is coupled to  
said table information to maintain said table information for data mirroring.

12. The method of claim 10, wherein said port processors perform the data  
and command replication and response gathering operations to support data mirroring.